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SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, I'm...not being a betting man, I probably...I ate my apple so I can't bet my apple, otherwise I would, Senator Smith. But the people in this state are going to adopt some form of gaming. That's my opinion. And if we would...if we want some type of control on that, we'd better do something here within the next couple of days. Otherwise, read the petitions, they are going...they will garner enough signatures. They will. Now whether both of them do, I'm not sure, but look where the revenue is going to go from that. We know it...where it is going to go here. The tribes in this state have been so depressed for so many years, and they see their brothers and sisters in other states, what they are doing with those revenues generated from casinos. They are living a lot better than they are. Give those people a chance to do what they can do. That's all I'm asking. Let the people decide that they can control their destiny. Let the people of this state decide what they want to do for the Indians in this state. That's what I'm asking.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you. Members, I want to point out that the reservation closest to the district I represent has casino gambling. I've been there. I've seen it. And it's also my understanding that the quality of life on that reservation is not what it could, should, and ought to be. And I think that we are doing a disservice to the process of government by saying we need to do something only because of these ballot measures that are supposedly threatening us. I hear, in the beginning debate there was an exchange between Senator Landis and Senator Schimek; Senator Schimek says, they won't get enough signatures to put it on the ballot. They don't have the resources to do it. But that's one of the ballot measures, that's one of the proposals. Now we hear about the proposals of some bar owners who want to bring casino gambling into...into their establishments, and that's...that is all across the state. It is not a limited area and, folks, I have more faith in the electorate of the state of Nebraska than to adopt something like that. And I think we need to look at what's behind all of this. I think it's operators claiming that it's going to solve tax problems in Nebraska. It will lower taxes. It goes back to the lottery debate. I will guarantee you that most voters said, yes, to the lottery because they thought their taxes were...